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SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT ON BHALOO AND ALLEGED CLOVE SMUGGLING

1. FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OCCURRED THIS AM. ADMIN SPECIALIST HOSE AND CONSULATE EMPLOYEES PURCHASED PLYWOOD FOR CONSTRUCTION OF LIFT VANS IN NEAR FUTURE AND TOOK SAME TO WAREHOUSE LEASED BY CONSULATE FOR STORAGE OF SUCH MATERIALS. UPON ARRIVAL, HOSE ACCOSTED BY INDIVIDUAL IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING WHO TOLD HIM HE WAS NOT ALLOWED TO OPEN WAREHOUSE. NO REASON GIVEN BUT INDIVIDUAL IN QUESTION UPON QUESTIONING IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS BEING WITH "SECURITY". HOSE PROCEEDED TO OPEN WAREHOUSE, PUT PLYWOOD INSIDE, AND RELOCK IT. THERE HAS BEEN NO NOTIFICATION OF ANY KIND THROUGH GOZ CHANNELS REGARDING RESTRICTION ON CONSULATE USE OF THIS PROPERTY, WHICH CONIULATE HAS LEASED SINCE 1972, AND UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES BELIEVE HOSE DID EXACTLY RIGHT THING IN USING WAREHOUSE.

2. UPON BEING NOTIFIED OF INCIDENT, I TOOK MATTER UP VERBALLY WITH FOREIGN AFFAIRS. INDICATING THAT WE HAVE HEARD EXACTLY NOTHING FROM GOZ AFFECTING USE OF WAREHOUSE ON WHICH WE HOLD CURRENT LEASE, I STATED THAT IN ABSENCE OF SAME I SAW NO REASON WHY WE SHOULD NOT CONTINUE TO USE IT.

3. I PROPOSE TO FOLLOW UP WITH NOTE WHICH RELATES FACTS OF TODAY'S INCIDENT, CITES RELEVANT PORTION (ART. 9 PARA 1)

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OF CONSULAR CONVENTION, AND CONTAINS FOLLOWING OPERATIVE LANGUAGE. QTE THE CONSULATE HOLDS CURRENT LEASE OF THIS PROPERTY. THE CONSULATE HAS RECEIVED NO NOTIFICATION OTHER THAN THE VERBAL STATEMENT OF THE PERSON IN QUESTION OF ANY LEGITIMATE IMPEDIMENT OR OBSTACLE TO USE OF THIS PROPERTY. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES THE CONSULATE BELIEVES THAT THERE IS NO VALID REASON WHY MR. HOSE SHOULD NOT HAVE PROCEEDED AS HE DID TO USE THE WAREHOUSE. ...THE CONSULATE... REQUESTS THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS...UNDERTAKE TO COMMUNICATE THE FOREGOING TO THE RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICIALS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ZANZIBAR. THE CONSULATE FURTHER REQUESTS THAT, IF THERE IS ANY REASON WHY IT SHOULD NOT CONTINUE TO USE ITS LEASED PREMISES WITHOUT LET OR HINDRANCE, THAT FACT SHOULD BE COMMUNICATED FORMALLY TO THE CONSULATE. UNTIL AND UNLESS SOME FORMAL NOTIFICATION ON THIS MATTER IS RECEIVED...THE CONSULATE INTENDS TO CONTINUE TO EXERCISE ITS RIGHT TO USE THE PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE LEASE. IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING, THE CONSULATE IS PREPARED AT ANY TIME TO DISCUSS THIS SITUATION AND ANY FACTORS RELATED TO IT WITH THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ZANZIBAR WITH A VIEW TO RAPIDLY REVOLVING THE MATTER IN QUESTION. END QTE.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY CONCURRENCE.

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